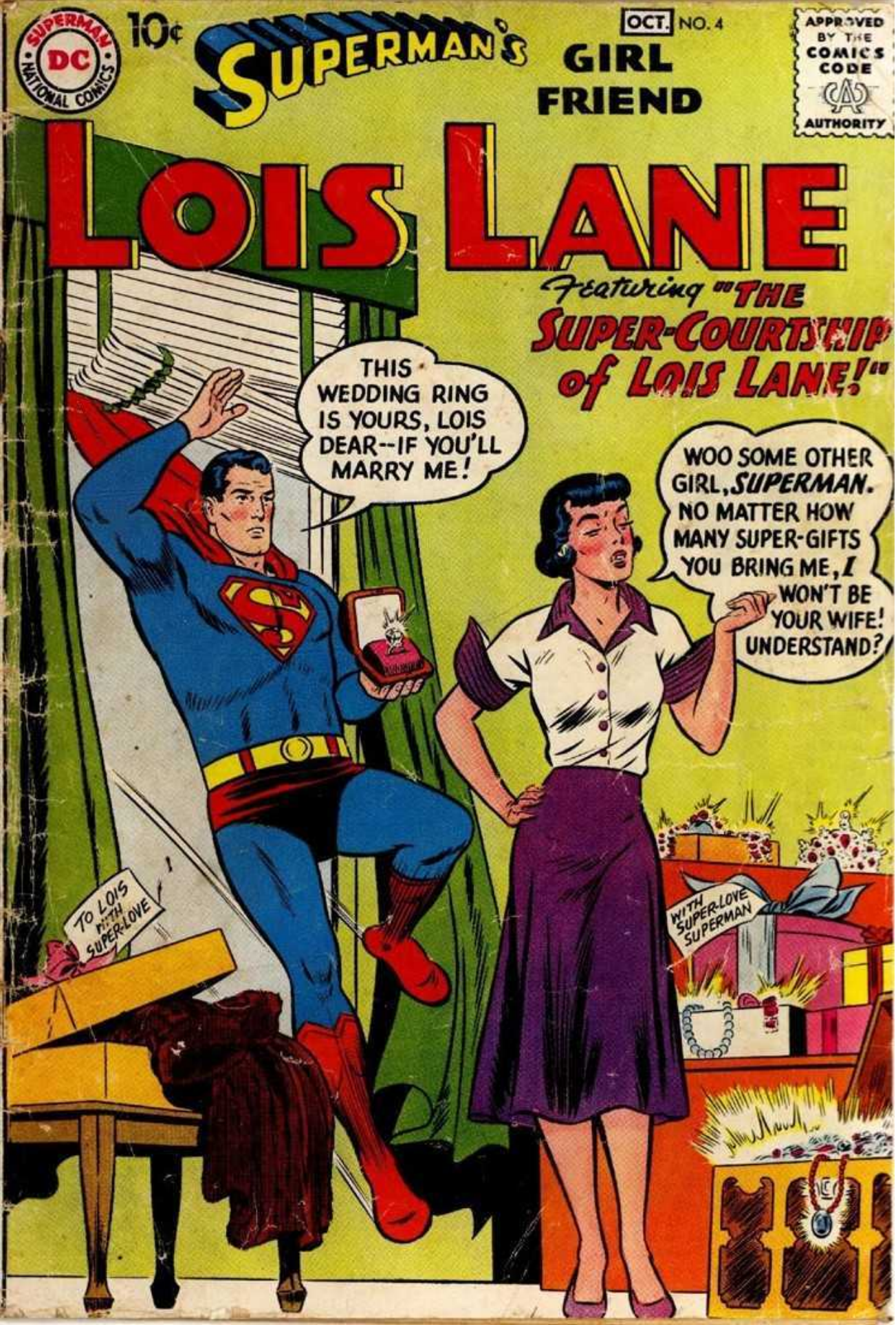
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WITH SUPER-LOVE SUPERMAN

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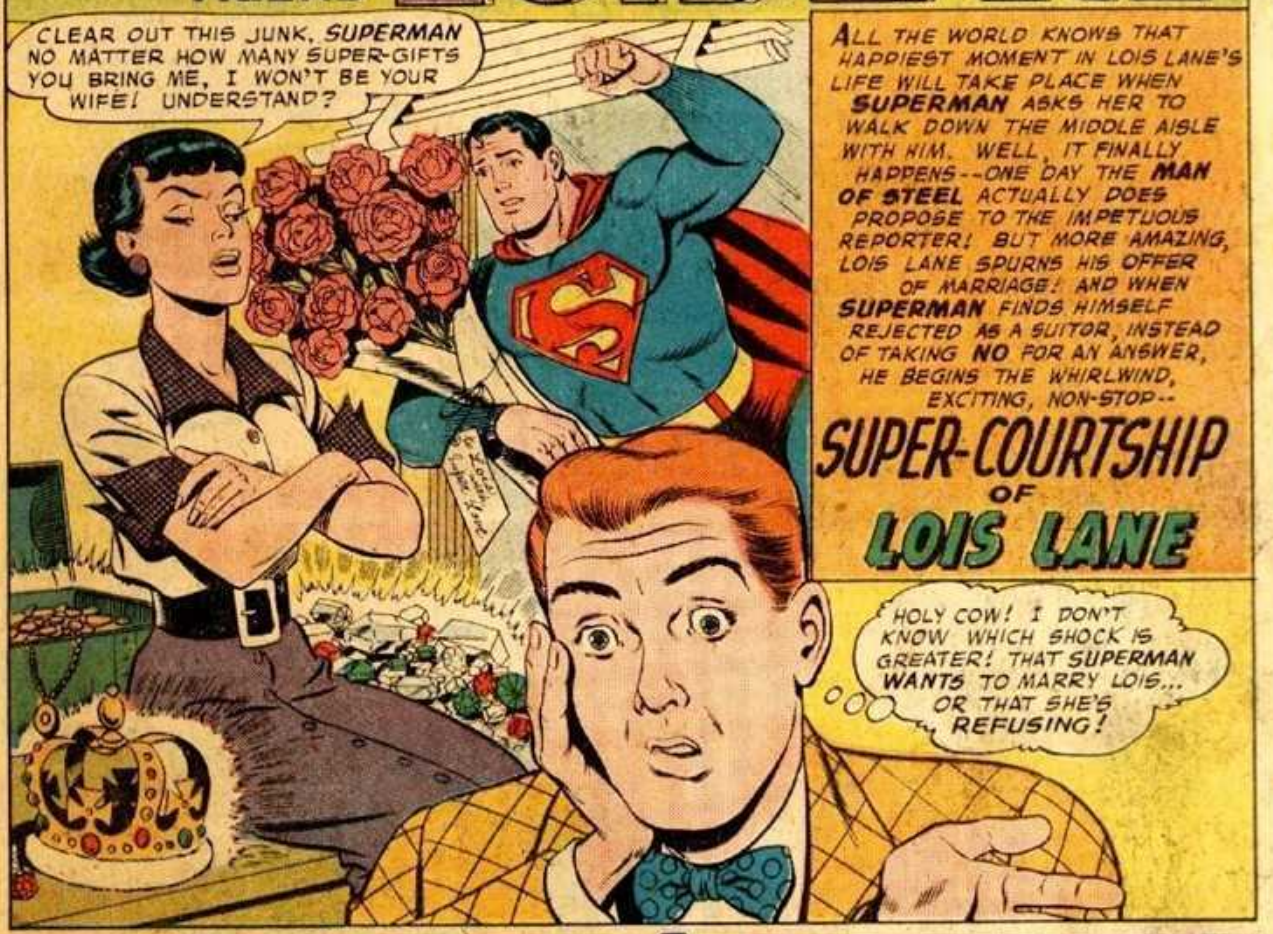
CLEAR OUT THIS JUNK, SUPERMAN NO MATTER HOW MANY SUPER-GIFTS YOU BRING ME, I WON'T BE YOUR WIFE! UNDERSTAND?
ALL THE WORLD KNOWS THAT HAPPIEST MOMENT IN LOIS LANE'S LIFE WILL TAKE PLACE WHEN SUPERMAN ASKS HER TO WALK DOWN THE MIDDLE AISLE WITH HIM. WELL, IT FINALLY HAPPENS--ONE DAY THE MAN OF STEEL ACTUALLY DOES PROPOSE TO THE IMPETUOUS REPORTER! BUT MORE AMAZING, LOIS LANE SPURNS HIS OFFER OF MARRIAGE! AND WHEN SUPERMAN FINDS HIMSELF REJECTED AS A SUITOR, INSTEAD OF TAKING NO FOR AN ANSWER, HE BEGINS THE WHIRLWIND, EXCITING, NON-STOP--
SUPER-COURTSHIP OF LOIS LANE
HOLY COW! I DON'T KNOW WHICH SHOCK IS GREATER! THAT SUPERMAN WANTS TO MARRY LOIS... OR THAT SHE'S REFUSING!

EACH MORNING AT HER APARTMENT, LOIS LANE STARTS THE DAY WITH THE SAME WISTFUL THOUGHT...
OH, IF ONLY I COULD MARRY THE MAN OF MY DREAMS! I'D BE THE HAPPIEST GIRL IN THE WORLD... AS MRS. SUPERMAN! SIGH!
LATER, THE GIRL REPORTER MEETS CUB REPORTER JIMMY OLSEN ON AN ASSIGNMENT FOR THE DAILY PLANET...
HI, LOIS! I'M GLAD IT SOUNDS INTERESTING! THREE VOLUNTEERS SLEPT HERE ALL NIGHT TO AID THE PROFESSOR'S DEMONSTRATION!
THE BOSS WANTS US TO COVER THIS STORY.
DEMONSTRATION of POWER-OF-SUGGESTION by PROFESSOR Z. PARKER MENTAL EXPERT

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WITHIN, AS THE PROFESSOR EXPLAINS HIS NOVEL EXPERIMENT...
ALL NIGHT, A TAPE-RECORDING HAS DRONED A MESSAGE INTO THE SUBCONSCIOUS MINDS OF THOSE THREE OVERWEIGHT MEN!
YOU... WILL... REFUSE... FATTENING... FOODS! YOU... WILL... REFUSE...
WHEN THEY ARE AWAKENED AND OFFERED A FEAST...
TAKE AWAY THOSE FATTENING FOODS! I ONLY WANT DRY TOAST!
BEHOLD! THE POWER-OF-SUGGESTION WILL MAKE THESE MEN DIET NOW! THE EFFECTS LAST FROM 24 TO 48 HOURS BEFORE THE MENTAL COMMAND MUST BE REPEATED!
AS LOIS AND JIMMY LEAVE...
WE'LL RUSH TO THE OFFICE AND WRITE IT UP! WHAT TIME IS IT, JIMMY? OOPS... I SET OFF THE SUPERMAN SIGNAL IN YOUR WATCH BY... ER... MISTAKE!
IN A PIG'S EYE! SHE DID IT DELIBERATELY JUST TO BRING HER SUPER-SWEETHEART AROUND!
WHEN THE ULTRASONIC SIGNAL BRINGS SUPERMAN...
SORRY I SET IT OFF BY MISTAKE, SUPERMAN! BUT AS LONG AS YOU'RE HERE, YOU MIGHT AS WELL FLY US TO THE OFFICE!
SHE'S ALWAYS PESTERING SUPERMAN, TRYING TO WIN HIS LOVE!
AT THE OFFICE... AND SUPERMAN TRIES TO AVOID HER ATTENTIONS! GOSH, I WISH I COULD SAVE SUPERMAN FROM HER ROMANTIC SCHEMING!
I'M... ER... BUSY! SO LONG!
UNKNOWN TO JIMMY, SUPERMAN SOON RETURNS, BUT IN HIS SECRET GUISE OF CLARK KENT, REPORTER!
HMM... IF CLARK MARRIED LOIS, SUPERMAN WOULD BE FREE OF HER FOR LIFE! AND I'VE GOT A GREAT IDEA HOW TO MAKE CLARK PROPOSE... BY THE POWER-OF-SUGGESTION THAT THE PROFESSOR DEMONSTRATED!
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AT HOME THAT EVENING, JIMMY RUNS OFF HIS COLLECTION OF TAPE-RECORDED PUBLIC SPEECHES MADE BY SUPERMAN...
SUPERMAN PRAISED LOIS AT A REPORTER'S BANQUET ONE TIME!
AND ANOTHER TIME HE PRESENTED AN AWARD TO MRS. AMERICA!
LOIS LANE IS AN OUTSTANDING GIRL REPORTER AND...
...IN HONOR OF BEING THE FINEST EXAMPLE OF A GOOD WIFE!
LUCKILY, YOU CAN CUT CERTAIN WORDS OUT AND SPLICE THEM TOGETHER ANY WAY YOU PLEASE! I'LL USE "LOIS LANE" AND "WIFE" AND OTHER WORDS NEEDED TO MAKE CLARK PROPOSE TO HER!
VOICE TAPE SPLICER SET

LATER, FINDING CLARK OUT, JIMMY SLIPS INTO HIS APARTMENT AND...
I'LL HIDE THE TAPE-RECORDER UNDER CLARK'S BED! A TIMING DEVICE WILL START IT OFF LATE AT NIGHT, WHEN HE'S ASLEEP!

THUS AFTER CLARK (SUPERMAN) KENT RETIRES, HIS OWN COMPELLING VOICE POURS THE POWER-OF-SUPER-SUGGESTION INTO HIS MIND, OVER AND OVER!
YOU... WILL... ASK... LOIS LANE... TO... BE... YOUR... WIFE! YOU... WILL... ASK... LOIS LANE... TO... BE... YOUR... WIFE! YOU...

UNDER THIS MENTAL COMMAND, CLARK REACHES THE OFFICE THE NEXT MORNING AND...
LOIS, MY DARLING! THIS MAY BE SUDDEN, BUT WILL YOU MARRY ME?
HOORAY! IT WORKED! IF LOIS MARRIES CLARK, SHE CAN'T MARRY SUPERMAN!
PRIVATE

IF ONLY JIMMY KNEW HE IS REALLY TRAPPING SUPERMAN INTO MATRIMONY! BUT FORTUNATELY...
SORRY, CLARK! I'M FLATTERED BY YOUR PROPOSAL, BUT I'M SAVING MY "YES" FOR SOMEONE ELSE!
SHE MEANS SUPERMAN! AH, I KNOW WHAT TO DO! I'LL SIGNAL SUPERMAN... HOPE HE ISN'T A THOUSAND MILES AWAY!
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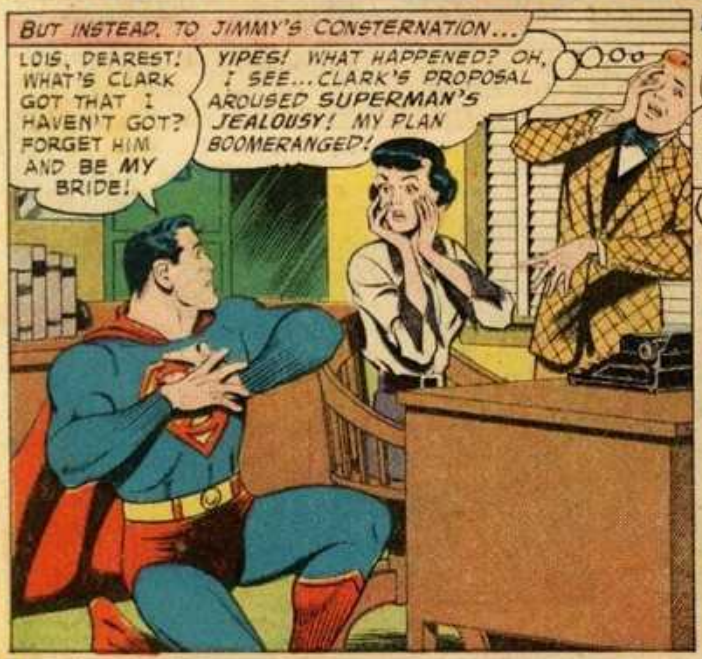
HE'S ONLY INCHES AWAY, JIMMY!
I'LL... ER... HAVE TO SLIP OUT TO ANSWER JIMMY'S SIGNAL! I'LL PRETEND I HAVE A NEWS ASSIGNMENT ACROSS TOWN!
ZEEEEEE
ZEEEEEE
ZEEEEEE

AFTER CLARK FINDS SECLUSION OUTSIDE TO CHANGE AND RETURN AS THE MAN OF STEEL...
PSST, SUPERMAN! CLARK JUST PROPOSED TO LOIS! SHE REFUSED, BUT SHE MIGHT ACCEPT HIM IF YOU CRUSH ALL HER HOPES OF BEING YOUR WIFE! IT'S YOUR BIG CHANCE TO BE RID OF LOIS!


BUT INSTEAD, TO JIMMY'S CONSTERNATION...
LOIS, DEAREST! WHAT'S CLARK GOT THAT I HAVEN'T GOT? FORGET HIM AND BE MY BRIDE!
YIPES! WHAT HAPPENED? OH, I SEE... CLARK'S PROPOSAL AROUSED SUPERMAN'S JEALOUSY! MY PLAN BOOMERANGED!

NOT THE WAY YOU THINK, JIMMY! IT'S SIMPLY THAT SUPERMAN, AS WELL AS CLARK, IS UNDER HIS OWN MENTAL COMMAND, UNABLE TO HELP HIMSELF!
SAY YES, LOIS, AND MAKE ME THE HAPPIEST MAN ON EARTH!
GOLLY! I'VE COOKED SUPERMAN'S GOOSE! LOIS WILL SHOUT "YES" LOUD ENOUGH TO BREAK WINDOWS A MILE AROUND!

BUT LOIS' JOY FADES WHEN SHE GLANCES AT THE CALENDAR!
OH MY GOODNESS! TODAY'S APRIL 1ST! SUPERMAN IS... IS ONLY PULLING AN APRIL FOOL'S JOKE ON ME! I WON'T FALL FOR THE GAG...
HUH!!?? LOIS SPURNED SUPERMAN? NOW I... I'VE HEARD EVERYTHING!
THE ANSWER IS NO, SUPERMAN!
APRIL 1

BUT STILL UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF HIS OWN SUPER-SUGGESTION, SUPERMAN IS FORCED TO CONTINUE HIS SUPER-COURTSHIP! SOON, AT A CANDY FACTORY...
IF YOU'RE IN LOVE, THE PLACE IS YOURS, SUPERMAN!
I MADE THAT GIANT HEART-SHAPED CHOCOLATE! NOW TO WRITE WITH ICING...
To Lois with Super Love

BUT DESPITE THIS AND MANY OTHER ARDENT EFFORTS...

I BROUGHT YOU QUEENLY JEWELS FROM A SUNKEN PIRATE SHIP AT SEA! GIANT FLOWERS FROM ANOTHER WORLD! AND I BUILT OUR DREAM-COTTAGE! WON'T ANYTHING MAKE YOU SAY *YES*, LOIS?

NO, SUPERMAN!

OH, IF ONLY IT WEREN'T JUST AN APRIL FOOL'S JOKE!...SIGH!

IT ISN'T, LOIS...IF YOU ONLY KNEW!

IF YOU REALLY LOVE ME, PROVE IT BY SPENDING THE DAY WITH ME! BUT YOU MUST WEAR ORDINARY CLOTHES, NOT YOUR SUPER-SUIT, SO THAT AUTOGRAPH-HUNTERS WON'T BOTHER US!

HA! HE WON'T GIVE UP WEARING HIS FAMOUS COSTUME! NOW HE'LL ADMIT IT'S A GAG!

BUT TO LOIS' ASTONISHMENT...

ANYTHING YOUR LITTLE HEART DESIRES, MY DEAR! I'LL JUST BE A "NOBODY" TODAY, SO CROWDS WON'T INTERRUPT OUR QUIET HOURS TOGETHER!

GOODNESS! HE'S PLAYING THE GAG TO THE HILT! BUT I'LL HAVE THE LAST LAUGH BY MAKING HIM GIVE UP, SOONER OR LATER!

SOON, AT THE BEACH...

I'M YOUR DEVOTED SLAVE, MY PET! I PROMISE NOT TO PUT ON MY SUPER-SUIT ONCE TODAY, JUST TO PLEASE YOU!

BUT IF A JOB FOR SUPERMAN COMES UP, HE'LL BE FORCED TO BREAK HIS PROMISE AND RUIN HIS JOKE! HA, HA!

SUDDENLY, WHEN DANGER ARISES...

HELP!

A SHIP ON FIRE! HERE, SUPERMAN! YOU'LL HAVE TO MAKE A SUPER-QUICK CHANGE INTO YOUR COSTUME!

NO! I WON'T BREAK MY PROMISE TO MY LADY LOVE! I'LL GO *JUST* AS I AM!

AN ASTONISHING SIGHT STARTLES MANY OBSERVERS...

I'LL DO THE JOB DRAMATICALLY, JUST TO IMPRESS LOIS, MY GIRL! THIS LEANING TREE WILL SERVE AS A "DIVING BOARD"!

LOOK! THAT MUST BE SUPERMAN PERFORMING... BUT IN A BATHING SUIT!

AT THE END OF HIS SUPER-DIVE...
THAT SUPER-SPLASH QUENCHES THE BURNING SHIP!
LATER IN THE DAY...
WILL YOU TAKE ME TO THE TOP HAT RESTAURANT FOR SUPPER, SUPERMAN?
I MAY AS WELL GET A GOOD STEAK DINNER OUT OF THIS PHONEY ROMANCE!
LADIES LOCKERS
MEN HAVE TO WEAR... ER...TUXEDOS THERE! WELL, I'LL CHANGE CLOTHES AND PICK YOU UP LATER!
PRESENTLY, AS SUPERMAN ESCORTS LOIS TO THE GLAMOROUS RESTAURANT...
TOP HAT
OH-OH! MY TELESCOPIC-VISION UP INTO THOSE DARK CLOUDS SHOWS A LIGHTNING FLASH STARTING DOWN TOWARD THE TOP HAT!
DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE GOING TO BREAK YOUR PROMISE AND CHANGE INTO YOUR UNIFORM!
CERTAINLY NOT! IT'S A JOB FOR SUPERMAN! OR SHALL WE SAY... "HAVE TUX... WILL FLY?"
OBSERVERS ARE TREATED TO A RARE SIGHT INDEED!
MIGHT AS WELL KEEP IN CHARACTER WITH THE WAY I'M DRESSED AND DO A CAKE WALK ALONG THE BOLT!
BUT SUPERMAN'S PURPOSE IS NOT MERE FRIVOLITY! REACHING THE END OF THE BOLT AT SUPER-SPEED...
THIS CANE HAS A STEEL CORE! I'LL USE IT AS A LIGHTNING-ROD, LETTING THE CURRENT CIRCULATE THROUGH AND TURN THE BOLT UPWARD, OUT OF HARM'S WAY!
TOP
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WHEN SUPERMAN REJOINS LOIS TO ENTER THE DINING PLACE...
PEOPLE WHO SAW KNEW IT COULD ONLY BE SUPERMAN! HE'S WINNING APPLAUSE... EVEN WITHOUT HIS SUPER-SUIT!
AMONG OUR GUESTS, DESPITE HIS APPEARANCE, IS THE ONE-AND-ONLY... THE PEERLESS... THE MATCHLESS SUPERMAN!

AT THE END OF THE EVENING, AS THEY SAY GOODNIGHT IN A TRADITIONAL WAY OF SWEETHEARTS...
I WON'T GIVE UP, LOIS! I'LL COURT YOU TOMORROW, TOO!
HE WON'T DARE! HE WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO SAY "APRIL FOOL" IF I ACCEPTED HIM TOMORROW! IT'S THE END OF OUR SHORT "ROMANCE"... (SIGH!)

BUT THE NEXT MORNING, SUPERMAN IS STILL UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF HIS OWN SUPER-SUGGESTION! AFTER PICKING UP LOIS...
THE JUSTICE OF PEACE WILL MARRY US! PERRY AND JIMMY WILL BE THE WITNESSES! WELL, WHAT'S YOUR ANSWER, LOIS?
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
GOODNESS! IT'S APRIL 2... IT CAN'T BE A JOKE ANYMORE! YES, SUPERMAN... YES... YES... YES...

HAS JIMMY OLSEN UNWITTINGLY BROUGHT ABOUT THE WEDDING DAY OF THE MAN OF STEEL?
DO YOU, SUPERMAN, TAKE THIS WOMAN TO BE YOUR WIFE?
YES!
JEEPERS! I TURNED OUT A SUPER CUPID! I'LL LEAVE WHILE NOBODY'S WATCHING ME!

OUTSIDE, JIMMY CARRIES OUT A PLAN...
JEALOUSY OF CLARK KENT GOT SUPERMAN INTO THIS... AND CLARK KENT WILL GET HIM OUT OF IT! I MADE THIS RUBBER MASK OF CLARK...

...WITH MY LOWER HALF HIDDEN WHEN I PEER IN THE WINDOW, THEY'LL THINK I'M CLARK! I'LL YELL THAT I, CLARK KENT, HAVE JUST CAUSE TO STOP THE MARRIAGE, BECAUSE I WANT LOIS MYSELF! OOPS... I TRIPPED...!

AND JUST AS LOIS LANE IS ABOUT TO ACHIEVE HER LIFE'S AMBITION...
DO YOU, LOIS, TAKE THIS MAN AS YOUR HUSBAND?
NO... NO! STOP!
STOP, CLARK! DON'T TAKE THIS FOOLISH WAY OUT JUST BECAUSE YOU LOST ME... OH MY GOODNESS!
ER... IT'S ONLY ME, LOIS!
AND NOW, AS THE POWER-OF-SUGGESTION FINALLY WEARS OFF FOR SUPERMAN...
YOU SAID "NO" AND I CAN TAKE A HINT, LOIS! IT'S ALL OFF!
WHEW! WHAT A NARROW ESCAPE THAT WAS!
ONE MORE TINY SECOND AND SUPERMAN WOULD HAVE BEEN MINE! BUT I... I LOST HIM! JUST BECAUSE I YELLED "NO!" AT THE WRONG TIME!
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THE NEXT DAY, AT THE OFFICE...
JIMMY CONFESSED USING THE TAPE-RECORDER, CLEARING UP THE MYSTERY FOR ME! BUT I'M AFRAID LOIS WILL ALWAYS BE CONFUSED!
WAS THE WHOLE THING AN APRIL FOOL'S JOKE BY SUPERMAN... OR NOT? I GUESS I... I'LL NEVER REALLY KNOW... SIGH!
THE END
APRIL 1

A TON of Laughs...
ARE IN STORE FOR YOU IN THE NEXT ISSUE, WHEN, AS A RESULT OF A STRANGE EXPERIMENT, LOIS LANE BECOMES...
"THE FATTEST GIRL IN METROPOLIS!"
IN THE DECEMBER ISSUE OF LOIS LANE COMICS!
PARDON MY SAYING SO, MISS... BUT YOU'RE QUITE A LOAD! (PUFF!) THE GIRL I MOST OFTEN FLY WITH IS SLENDER... LOIS LANE!
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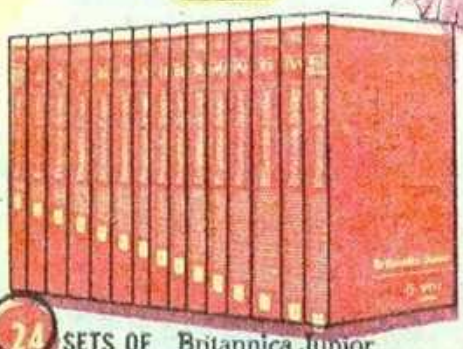

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LATER THAT AFTERNOON...
JIMMY, I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO GET RAGS OUT FROM THAT DARK PLACE UNDER THE PORCH, SINCE YOU LEFT FOR YOUR SWIM. HE JUST SITS THERE AND WHINES AND CRIES.'
WAIT A MINUTE. I'LL GET HIM OUT.

JIMMY! WHAT DID YOU DO TO HIM?
GOSH, MOM, I DIDN'T WANT TO SPEND ALL SUMMER BRUSHING HIM.' BESIDES, I THOUGHT HE'D BE COOLER BEING CLIPPED LIKE THAT.'

BUT RAGS ISN'T LIKE A POODLE, WHICH REQUIRES CLIPPING IN SUMMER FOR COMFORT.' MANY DOGS, LIKE RAGS, NEED THEIR HAIRY COATS. COME ON, LET'S READ THAT CHAPTER IN YOUR BOOK ABOUT TAKING CARE OF YOUR PETS IN SUMMER TIME.'

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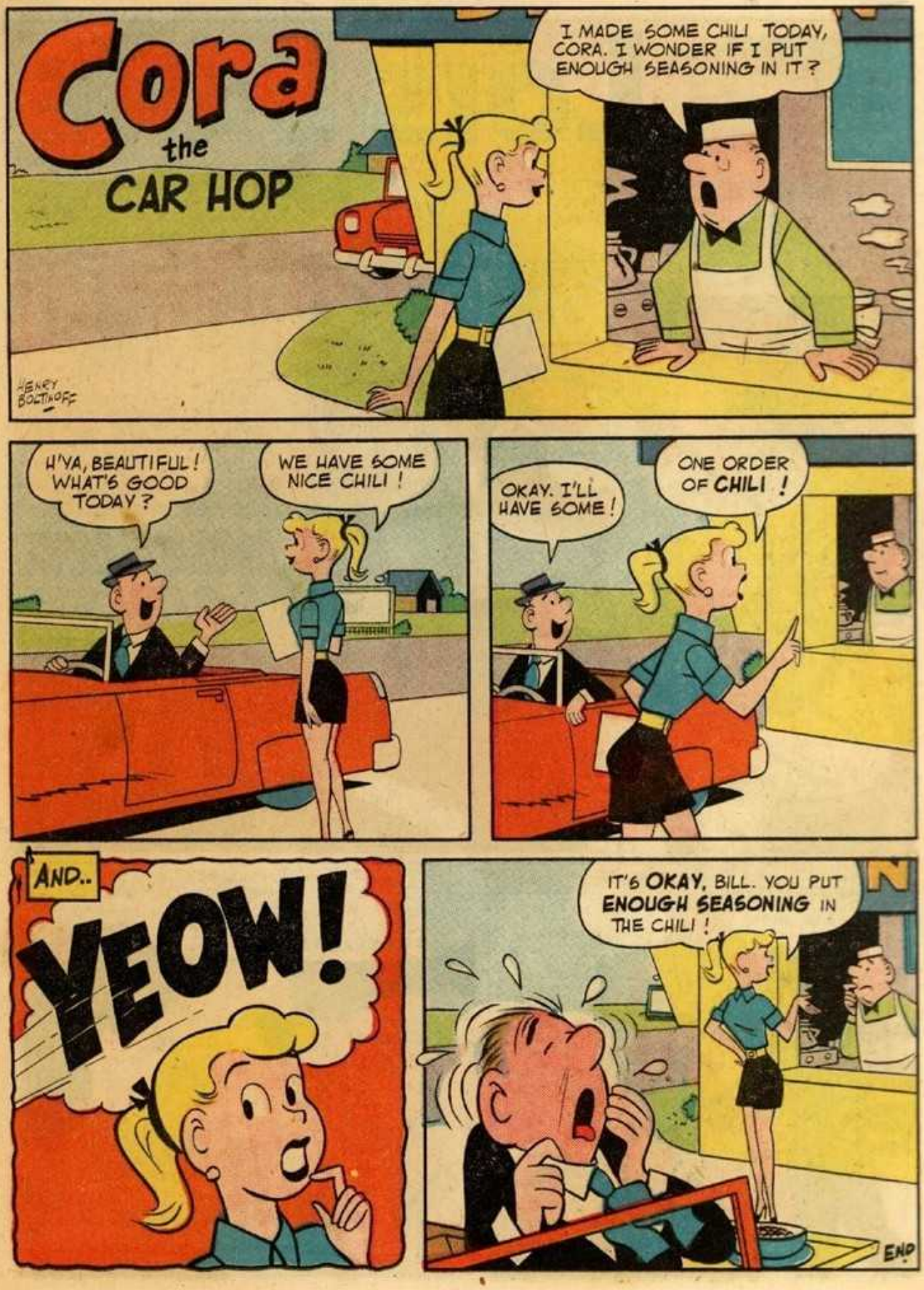
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I MADE SOME CHILI TODAY, CORA. I WONDER IF I PUT ENOUGH SEASONING IN IT?
HENRY BOLTINOFF
H'YA, BEAUTIFUL! WHAT'S GOOD TODAY?
WE HAVE SOME NICE CHILI!
OKAY. I'LL HAVE SOME!
ONE ORDER OF CHILI!
AND..
YEOW!
IT'S OKAY, BILL. YOU PUT ENOUGH SEASONING IN THE CHILI!
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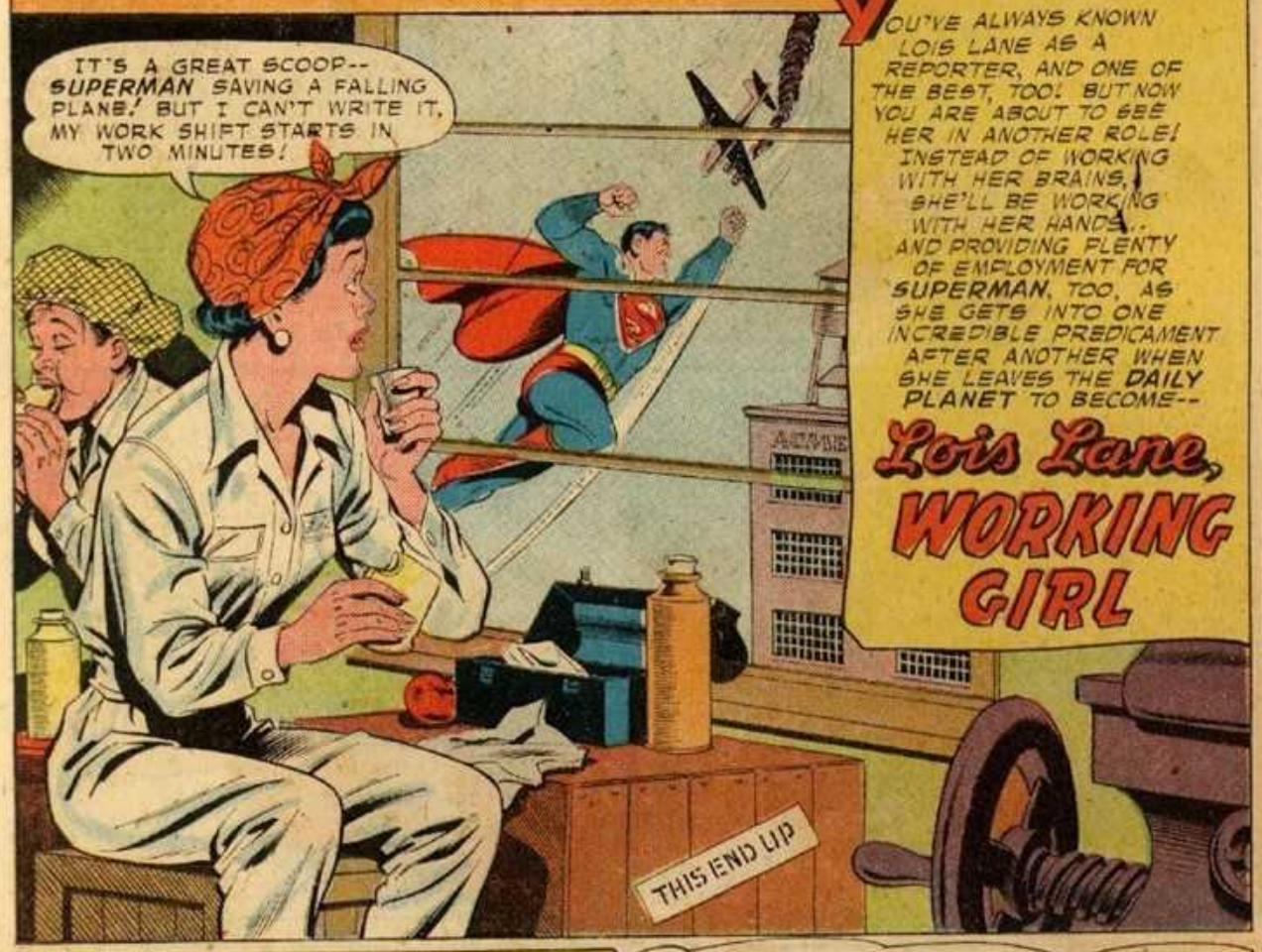
SUPERMAN'S GIRL FRIEND LOIS LANE



YOU'VE ALWAYS KNOWN LOIS LANE AS A REPORTER, AND ONE OF THE BEST, TOO! BUT NOW YOU ARE ABOUT TO SEE HER IN ANOTHER ROLE! INSTEAD OF WORKING WITH HER BRAINS, SHE'LL BE WORKING WITH HER HANDS... AND PROVIDING PLENTY OF EMPLOYMENT FOR SUPERMAN, TOO, AS SHE GETS INTO ONE INCREDIBLE PREDICAMENT AFTER ANOTHER WHEN SHE LEAVES THE DAILY PLANET TO BECOME--

Lois Lane, WORKING GIRL

ONE DAY, AS LOIS LANE RETURNS TO THE DAILY PLANET OFFICE AFTER LUNCH...
EXCUSE ME, MISS. I'D LIKE TO TALK TO YOU! I...
FRESH! I DON'T SPEAK TO STRANGERS!

TAKE IT EASY. I'M RON HARRIS, THEATRICAL AGENT, AND THIS IS THE LUCKIEST DAY OF YOUR LIFE! YOU'RE PERFECT FOR THE STAR ROLE IN JED BRANT'S NEW PLAY!
W-WHAT? M-ME? AN ACTRESS?

IN TWO MONTHS I CAN HAVE YOU FAMOUS, YOUR NAME IN LIGHTS! ALL I ASK IS THAT YOU LET MY STAFF OF COACHES DEVELOP YOUR TALENTS!
I ACCEPT, LIKE EVERY OTHER GIRL I'VE ALWAYS DREAMED OF BEING AN ACTRESS, AND NOW... IT... IT'S LIKE A FAIRY TALE!
SO, A LITTLE LATER, LOIS EXCITEDLY TELLS EDITOR PERRY WHITE OF HER GREAT CHANCE...
... AND HE SAID IF I STUDIED HARD, HE'S SURE I'D GET THE PART.
GO AHEAD, LOIS! GRAB THE CHANCE! I'LL LET YOU TAKE A LEAVE OF ABSENCE FROM THE PAPER!
THAT EVENING, LOIS IS GIVEN A GALA SEND-OFF PARTY!
HERE'S TO LOIS, MAY SHE GO FAR WHEN SHE LEAVES THE PLANET TO BECOME A STAR!
SUPERMAN SAID HE'D SHOW UP!
HERE HE COMES NOW!
I HAVE A LITTLE GIFT FOR YOU, LOIS.
HUH? WHAT WOULD I DO WITH A STEEL GIRDER?
CORRECTION! IT WAS A STEEL GIRDER! BUT NOW...
...IT'S A GIANT HORSESHOE ENGRAVED WITH MY X-RAY VISION, TO WISH YOU A GIANT-SIZED PORTION OF LUCK!
WE'LL LEAVE IT THERE... BEHIND YOUR DESK... SO WE CAN WISH YOU LUCK WHENEVER WE SEE IT.
OH, YOU'RE ALL SOB WONDERFUL!
LOTS OF LUCK TO LOIS, SUP
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THE NEXT DAY, LOIS EMBARKS ON THE LIFE OF AN ACTRESS... A LIFE RULED BY TEACHERS WHO BELIEVE IN HARD WORK!
NO! NO! YOU'LL NEVER GET IT! SHOULDERS BACK! HEAD UP! TRY AGAIN!
I'VE BEEN DOING THIS FOR HOURS! WHAT DOES SHE WANT OF ME?
LESSONS IN POISE, LESSONS IN DICTION, LESSONS IN MUSCLE CONTROL... LESSONS, LESSONS AND STUDY!
TOO TENSE! RELAX! SLUMP! LIKE A RAG DOLL! LET YOUR MUSCLES FLOW! LIKE MOLASSES!
I NEVER DREAMED IT WOULD BE SUCH HARD WORK!
FINALLY, AFTER ENDLESS HOURS OF TOIL...
LOIS, THIS IS THE DAY! I MADE AN APPOINTMENT WITH PRODUCER BRANT FOR YOU TO READ THE PART! NOW... DON'T WORRY! YOU'RE SURE TO GET IT!
OH, I HOPE SO!
PRESENTLY...
I KNOW YOU LOVE ME, BUT YOU'RE A MILLIONAIRE-- AND I'M JUST A POOR WORKING GIRL!
YEAH-- PERFECT FOR THE PART-- LIKE YOU SAY, RON-- BUT LOOK AT THOSE HANDS!
GOOD, ISN'T SHE?
M-MY HANDS? WHAT'S WRONG WITH THEM?
NOT A CALLOUS ON THEM! YOU'VE NEVER DONE A HARD DAY'S WORK! HOW CAN YOU KNOW WHAT A WORKING GIRL FEELS LIKE WHEN YOU'VE NEVER BEEN ONE?
YOU'VE GOT A POINT, J.B. AND... WAIT... I'VE GOT AN IDEA! SUPPOSE WE GET HER A JOB...
THAT IS AN IDEA! I'LL GET HER A JOB IN SOME FACTORY-- AND IF SHE CAN ROUGH IT FOR TWO WEEKS, SHE CAN HAVE THE PART!
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SO, THAT EVENING...
BRANT GOT YOU A JOB WITH THE ACME BAKING COMPANY. IF YOU LAST TWO WEEKS THERE, YOU'LL SPEAK, THINK, AND ACT LIKE A WORKING GIRL!
IF IT MEANS A NEW CAREER FOR ME, I'M GAME! I'LL TRY ANYTHING TO BE A STAR!
IT MAY BE MORE DIFFICULT THAN YOU THINK, LOIS! AT THAT VERY MOMENT...
I COULDN'T GET YOU THE JOB AT ACME, MAISIE. THE BOSS HIRED SOMEONE ELSE. BUT DON'T WORRY. I'M HER FOREMAN AND I'LL SEE TO IT THAT SHE GETS FIRED!
THANKS, HONEY.
NEXT DAY, AS A SLEEPY-EYED LOIS REPORTS TO WORK AT 7 A.M....
I'M JOE HOGG, YOUR FOREMAN. YOUR JOB IS TO PUT THE FLOUR AND OTHER INGREDIENTS INTO THAT VAT AND THEN SHAPE THE DOUGH INTO PRETZELS WHEN IT COMES OUT HERE.
ACME BAKING CO. PRETZEL DIVISION
GOOD HEAVENS! I--I'M A...A PRETZEL-BENDER!
AND, AS LOIS CONCENTRATES ON HER NEW TASK...
THE BOSS ALWAYS HAS A NEW GIRL EAT THE FIRST PRETZELS SHE MAKES! JUST WAIT TILL THIS LANE DAME TRIES TO EAT THESE CONCRETE ONES!
YES, LOIS IS UNAWARE THAT SHE HAS AN ENEMY... BUT THAT ENEMY DOESN'T KNOW THAT LOIS HAS A SUPER-FRIEND!
HMM... IT'S LUCKY I DECIDED TO KEEP AN EYE ON LOIS IN HER NEW JOB! IT MEANS SO MUCH TO HER I WANT HER TO GET A FAIR CHANCE!
SOMEWHAT LATER, WHEN LOIS' FIRST BATCH OF PRETZELS COME OUT OF THE OVEN...
I'LL GET MR. EVANS, THE BOSS, AND HAVE HIM WATCH AS YOU EAT THOSE PRETZELS YOU MADE.
HMM... SO THAT'S HIS ANGLE. WELL, THIS PRETZEL BUSINESS CALLS FOR A TWIST, SO I'LL GET CLARK KENT TO HELP LOIS! A QUICK, SECRET CHANGE, AND HE'LL BE THERE!

SHORTLY AFTERWARD...
HELLO, LOIS. YOU KEPT ME WAITING FOR LUNCH SO LONG, I'M STARVED! MIND IF I TAKE A FEW PRETZELS?
HA-HA! WAIT TILL THE BOSS SEES THIS! HOPE HER BOY FRIEND HAS A GOOD DENTIST!

AND AS CLARK (SUPERMAN) KENT MUNCHES ON THE CONCRETE PRETZELS...
MMM... THESE (CRUNCH, CRUNCH) ARE DELICIOUS (CRUNCH, GULP)!
WH-WHAT? I--I MUST HAVE GOOFED SOMEHOW-- PUT THE CEMENT IN SOME OTHER MACHINE. WELL, I'LL GET HER TOMORROW!

YES, YOU'VE HAD A NARROW ESCAPE, LOIS-- BUT YOUR TROUBLES AREN'T OVER! NEXT DAY...
SAVE BATTER!
THE MORE DOUGH YOU WASTE THE LESS DOUGH WE MAKE
THE BOSS IS STARTING A NEW ECONOMY DRIVE, AND THREATENS TO FIRE ANYONE WHO WASTES DOUGH! I'LL FIX LOIS LANE'S MACHINE SO THAT THE DOUGH COMES OUT FASTER THAN SHE CAN HANDLE IT!

SO, A LITTLE LATER, LOIS LITERALLY HAS HER HANDS FULL!
HA, HA! NOW, I'LL CALL THE BOSS! WAIT TILL HE SEES THIS!
SUGGESTION BOX
YOUR IDEAS MAY MEAN CASH BONUS FOR NOVEL IDEAS IN PRETZELS

AN INSTANT LATER...
LOIS! THAT FOREMAN IS TRYING TO GET YOU INTO TROUBLE. I MUST GET OUT BEFORE ANYONE SEES ME. YOU JUST... BZZZ... BZZZZ...
OKAY. I'LL DO AS YOU SAY. THANKS, SUPERMAN!

PRESENTLY...
GOOD! THE HEAT OF MY X-RAY VISION IS BAKING THOSE LUMPS OF DOUGH ON LOIS' FINGERS. NOW THE REST IS UP TO HER!

SECONDS LATER, WHEN THE BOSS APPEARS...
MISS LANE! I'M TOLD YOU'RE WASTING VALUABLE DOUGH!
PLEASE, SIR... JUST LISTEN TO ME! THIS IS MY SUGGESTION FOR A NEW PRETZEL PRODUCT. YOU KNOW HOW FANS AT A BALL GAME GET SO NERVOUS THEY BITE THEIR FINGERNAILS. WELL...
SUGGESTION
YOUR IDEAS
CASH BONU
IDEAS IN P
...WE CAN SELL THEM THESE TO SLIP ON THEIR FINGERS AND CHEW! PRETZEL FINGERS!
WHAT AN IDEA! I CAN SEE IT NOW! WHY BITE YOUR NAILS? CHEW OUR PRETZEL FINGERS INSTEAD! INGENIOUS! BEST IDEA IN A YEAR! SEE THAT SHE GETS A BONUS, HOGG!
GRRR!
THAT EVENING, AS LOIS RELAXES AT HOME...
DO YOU HAVE AN UNUSUAL JOB? THEN YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO APPEAR ON TV'S MOST POPULAR QUIZ SHOW... WHAT'S MY JOB?
MY FEET ARE SO TIRED, I CAN'T BUDGE. WHAT A RELIEF TO... WAIT! I CAN APPEAR ON THAT PROGRAM WITH MY JOB! IT'LL BE SWELL PUBLICITY FOR AN ACTRESS! I'LL WRITE AT ONCE!
BUT WILL YOU KEEP THE JOB LONG, LOIS? NEXT DAY...
I PROMISED MAISIE I'D GET THIS JOB, AND I WILL! WAIT TILL THE BOSS SEES THE KIND OF PRETZEL THIS LANE DAME MAKES TODAY!
YEAST
I CAN GUESS HOW HE WANTS TO COOK LOIS' GOOSE BY POURING ALL THAT YEAST INTO HER BATTER, BUT I'LL USE MY SUPER-BREATH TO ADD SOME OF THAT LEFTOVER CEMENT. THEN, I'LL WHISPER MY PLAN TO LOIS WHEN HE GOES OUT TO CALL THE BOSS!
PUFF!
CEMENT
SO, A LITTLE LATER, WHEN LOIS HAS BAKED HER FIRST PRETZEL...
OH, DEAR! WHAT DID I DO WRONG? IT'S GROWING LARGER...
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...AND LARGER
NOW TO CALL THE BOSS! THAT YEAST SURE DID BLOW IT UP! WAIT TILL HE SEES HER WASTING DOUGH ON THAT GIANT PRETZEL!
HOWEVER, BEFORE THE BOSS ARRIVES, SUPERMAN EXPLAINS HIS STRATEGY TO LOIS, AND...
MISS LANE! WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS COLOSSAL PRETZEL? WHY--IT'S BIG ENOUGH FOR AN ENTIRE REGIMENT!
IT'S ANOTHER OF MY IDEAS, MR. EVANS! THIS FACTORY NEEDS A SIGN OUTSIDE, AND A SIGN WOULD COST LOTS OF MONEY!
SO WHY NOT USE THIS SUPER-PRETZEL--BAKED OUT OF CEMENT AND YEAST? NOTHING CAN HARM IT, AND...
STUPENDOUS! YOU'RE A PRETZEL GENIUS, MISS LANE! SEE THAT SHE GETS ANOTHER BONUS, HOGG!
WHY...ER... (ULP)...YES SIR.
FINALLY, AFTER TWO WEEKS...
WHEW! AM I GLAD TO SEE HER GO!
OH, I'M SO HAPPY! AND I'VE GOT A SURPRISE FOR YOU! JUST TUNE IN ON WHAT'S MY JOB TONIGHT!
CONGRATULATIONS! YOU DID IT! TOMORROW YOU GET THE PART!
THAT EVENING, AT A TV STUDIO IN METROPOLIS...
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NOW, FOR OUR NEXT CONTESTANT... MISS LANE! PANEL, WILL YOU TRY AND GUESS HER OCCUPATION?
Lois Lane
I BET SHE'S A MODEL!
NO! AN ARTIST!
I SAY SHE'S A POLICEWOMAN!
I THINK SHE'S A TEACHER!
What's my Job?

SOME TIME LATER, WHEN LOIS HAS ANSWERED A BATTERY OF QUESTIONS...
SORRY, PANEL, BUT YOU DIDN'T EVEN GET CLOSE. MISS LANE IS A PRETZEL-BENDER!
HA-HA! A PRETZEL-BENDER! HA-HA! WHO COULD HAVE GUESSED THAT?
AND, NEXT DAY, WHEN LOIS GOES TO THE PRODUCER'S OFFICE TO SIGN HER CONTRACT...
HEY, JOAN...: LOOK! THERE GOES...
I (HA, HA) KNOW! LOIS LANE... THE (HA, HA) PRETZEL-BENDER!
I SURE DID GET LOTS OF PUBLICITY ON THAT TV SHOW. EVERYONE RECOGNIZES ME!
HOWEVER, WHEN LOIS ENTERS JED BRANT'S OFFICE...
YOU BETTER BREAK THE BAD NEWS TO HER, RON.
B-BAD NEWS? WH-WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
I'M AFRAID YOU CAN'T HAVE THE ROLE AFTER ALL, LOIS. DIDN'T YOU KNOW...
...:YOU WERE PLAYING A DRAMATIC PART? NOW, WHEN YOU WALK ON THE STAGE, EVERYONE WILL RECOGNIZE YOU...
... AND THEY'LL LAUGH THEMSELVES SICK AT THE SIGHT OF LOIS LANE PRETZEL-BENDER! HOW CAN YOU BE SERIOUS THEN?
OH, DEAR! I... I'VE TYPED MYSELF AS A... A PRETZEL-BENDER!
SO, NEXT MORNING...
DON'T FEEL BAD, LOIS. AFTER ALL, YOU ACCOMPLISHED WHAT YOU SET OUT TO DO. AND BEING A STAR REPORTER IS ALMOST AS GOOD AS BEING A STAR!
THANKS :SOB: PERRY. I... SUPERMAN! WHY ARE YOU DESTROYING THAT?
I'M JUST CHANGING IT, LOIS... FROM A GOOD LUCK TOKEN FOR THE FUTURE, INTO A MEMENTO OF THE PAST!
HMM... NOT A BAD IDEA! IT WILL REMIND ME HOW LUCKY I AM BEING A REPORTER RATHER THAN A PRETZEL-BENDER! THANKS.
The End

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SORRY, ELMER, I CAN'T MAKE IT TONIGHT. I HAVE THE MOST AWFUL COLD!
HOW CAN YOU FIB LIKE THAT?
THAT ELMER - ALWAYS CALLING FOR A DATE. HE'S A TERRIBLE BORE!
R-RING
WHY, ELMER!
WHEN I HEARD YOU WERE SICK, I RUSHED RIGHT OVER!
I WON A CITATION FOR FIRST-AID AND HOME MEDICINE. I'LL HAVE YOU UP AND ABOUT IN NO TIME!
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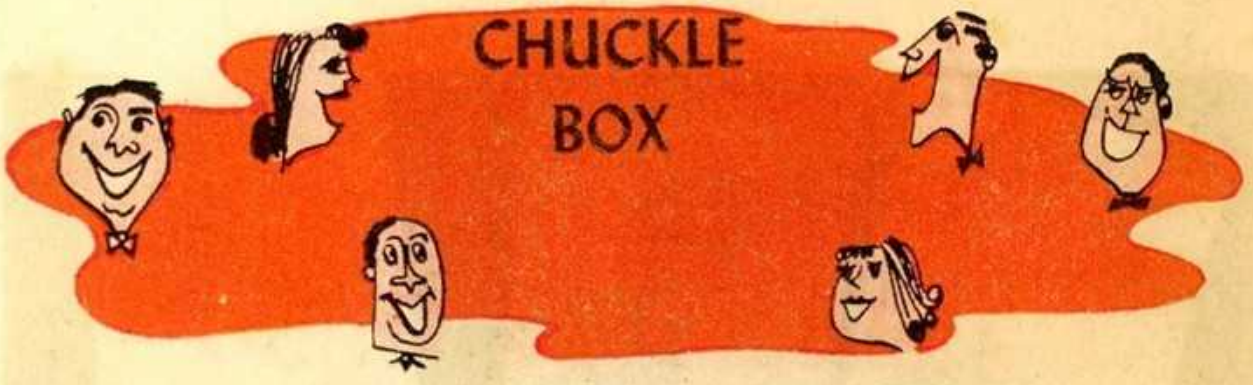

HENPECKED HUBBY: You don't deserve a husband like me.

WIFE: I don't deserve a headache, either, but I've got one.

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DOCTOR: Jones, didn't I tell you to stop working so hard? You must relax a little and play 36 holes a day.

PATIENT: I did exactly what you said, Doc—I bought a harmonica.

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LENNY: What's the definition of a raving beauty?

JENNY: The girl who comes out last in a beauty contest.

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TEACHER: Now, I've asked the class to make a list of the nine greatest men in the world. Johnny, is your list ready?

JOHNNY: Almost. I just gotta think of a second baseman.

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KATEY: Notice the new girl who moved in next door? She dresses so simply, and wears no make-up at all!

KATTY: Yes, isn't it awful what some girls will do to attract attention?

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SILLY SALLY SAYS: "Is it true that if you want to see British movies on TV you have to tune in on the English Channel?"

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BILL: Can you get fur from a skunk?

LIL: Yes—the fur-ther the better.

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LOU: Can you name five consecutive days of the week without naming Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday?

SUE: Certainly. Today, tomorrow, the day after tomorrow, yesterday and the day before yesterday.

TRAIN PASSENGER: Porter, these shoes you returned don't match.

PORTER: Now, there's a coincidence. You're the second person this morning who made the same complaint.

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DAN: Did you see a crazy man pass this way?

STAN: What does he look like?

DAN: He's very short—about six feet four, and very thin—weighs about four hundred pounds.

STAN: How could a short man be six feet four, and be very thin and weigh four hundred pounds?

DAN: I told you he was crazy.

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FIGHT MANAGER (to his fighter between rounds): Hey, Butch, better let Rocky hit you a few solid *lefts* in the next round. Your face is getting lopsided.

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LADY TOURIST: (to Indian sitting under a tree): Why don't you get a job and invest your salary, make a lot of money and then you can retire and won't have to work anymore?

INDIAN: Why go through all that? I'm not working now.

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JIM: Poor old Mr. Hickenlooper. He drank some shellac by mistake and died.

TIM: Well, at least he had a very nice finish.

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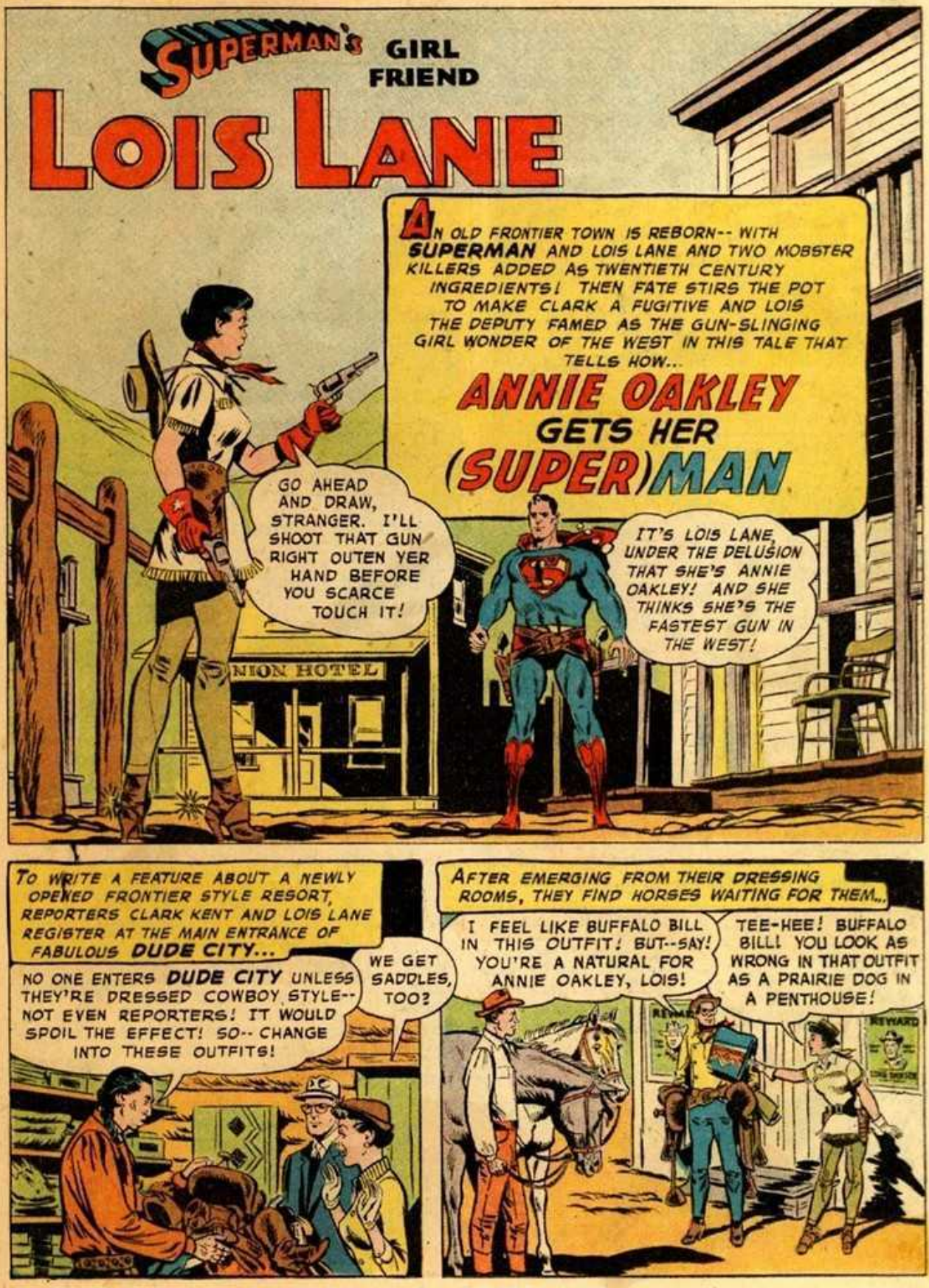
WILLY: I had insomnia for years and went to a psychiatrist who cured me the first day.

TILLY: Amazing! How did he do it?

WILLY: He told my brother to stop practising his drums all night.


SUPERMAN'S GIRL FRIEND
LOIS LANE
AN OLD FRONTIER TOWN IS REBORN-- WITH SUPERMAN AND LOIS LANE AND TWO MOBSTER KILLERS ADDED AS TWENTIETH CENTURY INGREDIENTS! THEN FATE STIRS THE POT TO MAKE CLARK A FUGITIVE AND LOIS THE DEPUTY FAMED AS THE GUN-SLINGING GIRL WONDER OF THE WEST IN THIS TALE THAT TELLS HOW...
ANNIE OAKLEY GETS HER (SUPER)MAN
GO AHEAD AND DRAW, STRANGER. I'LL SHOOT THAT GUN RIGHT OUTEN YER HAND BEFORE YOU SCARCE TOUCH IT!
IT'S LOIS LANE, UNDER THE DELUSION THAT SHE'S ANNIE OAKLEY! AND SHE THINKS SHE'S THE FASTEST GUN IN THE WEST!
NION HOTEL
TO WRITE A FEATURE ABOUT A NEWLY OPENED FRONTIER STYLE RESORT, REPORTERS CLARK KENT AND LOIS LANE REGISTER AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE OF FABULOUS DUDE CITY...
NO ONE ENTERS DUDE CITY UNLESS THEY'RE DRESSED COWBOY STYLE-- NOT EVEN REPORTERS! IT WOULD SPOIL THE EFFECT! SO-- CHANGE INTO THESE OUTFITS!
WE GET SADDLES, TOO?
AFTER EMERGING FROM THEIR DRESSING ROOMS, THEY FIND HORSES WAITING FOR THEM...
I FEEL LIKE BUFFALO BILL IN THIS OUTFIT! BUT--SAY! YOU'RE A NATURAL FOR ANNIE OAKLEY, LOIS!
TEE-HEE! BUFFALO BILL! YOU LOOK AS WRONG IN THAT OUTFIT AS A PRAIRIE DOG IN A PENTHOUSE!
REWARD
REWARD

BUT SPEAKING OF ANNIE OAKLEY, I UNDERSTAND THESE ARE REAL SIX-GUNS!
YES-- SUPPLIED FOR A TOUCH OF REALISM. SO FAR NO ONE'S BEEN HURT BY ONE, BUT DON'T SPOIL IT BY TRYING TO SHOOT LIKE ANNIE OAKLEY!
PRESENTLY, AS THEY RIDE OFF TOWARD DUDE CITY ITSELF...
HMPH! IF THE HOODS FROM THAT SYNDICATE YOU EXPOSED RECENTLY SHOULD HAPPEN TO FOLLOW YOU HERE TO DUDE COUNTY, I WON'T EVEN PULL A TRIGGER TO SAVE YOU!
NEVER MIND THE TRIGGER! PULL THE REINS! WATCH OUT!
BUT-- TOO LATE-- LOIS' MOUNT STUMBLES OVER A FISSURE IN THE LEDGE AND...
HELP!
A LIGHTNING SWITCH TRANSFORMS COWPOKE KENT INTO THE RESCUING FIGURE OF..SUPERMAN...
I DIDN'T WANT KENT SEEN DOING THIS RESCUE BY ANYONE IN THE GORGE-- BUT-- AS IT HAPPENS-- NO ONE'S DOWN THERE! AND LOIS IS TOO DAZED FROM A CHUNK OF FALLING ROCK TO KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING...
BUT SUPERMAN QUICKLY DISCOVERS LOIS IS HURT WORSE THAN HE THOUGHT AS...
OH-OH-- ACCORDING TO MY X-RAY VISION, SHE MIGHT HAVE A CONCUSSION! DUDE CITY IS FIVE MILES OFF! BETTER RUSH HER THERE FOR A DOCTOR!
A SPLIT-SECOND DELAY TO SWITCH BACK TO CLARK AT DUDE CITY'S OUTSKIRTS, AND THEN, ON A STREET REBUILT OUT OF A VANISHED CENTURY..
GOT A MAN BADLY SICK INSIDE MY TINY OFFICE, SO IT'S MORE CONVENIENT EXAMINING HER HERE. IT'S CONCUSSION, RIGHT ENOUGH-- BUT HOW BAD DEPENDS ON HOW SHE COMES AROUND. SHE'S OPENING HER EYES NOW!
DR. SMITH
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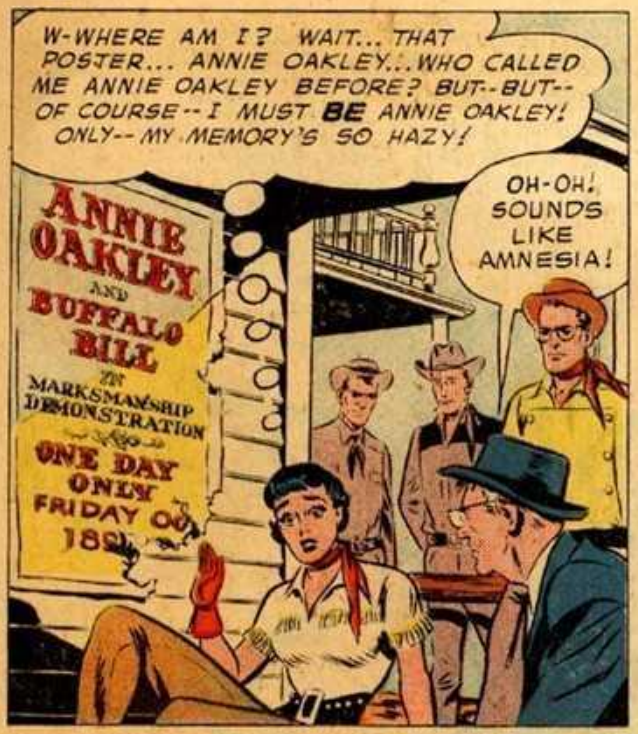
W-WHERE AM I? WAIT... THAT POSTER... ANNIE OAKLEY... WHO CALLED ME ANNIE OAKLEY BEFORE? BUT--BUT-- OF COURSE--I MUST BE ANNIE OAKLEY! ONLY--MY MEMORY'S SO HAZY!
ANNIE OAKLEY AND BUFFALO BILL IN MARKSMANSHIP DEMONSTRATION
ONE DAY ONLY FRIDAY OCT 18
OH-OH! SOUNDS LIKE AMNESIA!

IF I AM ANNIE OAKLEY, I OUGHT TO BE ABLE TO PROVE IT WITH THIS SIX-GUN, ONLY--IT FEELS STRANGE IN MY HANDS SO--OOPS!
JEHOSOPHAT! WHAT A SHOT--AND SHE'S HARDLY CONSCIOUS!

ASTONISHED EYES FIX ON THE CHANCE RESULT OF LOIS' ACCIDENTAL SHOT...
TALK ABOUT FREAK EVENTS! LOIS' GUN DISCHARGED AND HER STRAY SHOT WENT RIGHT BETWEEN THE EYES OF BILLY THE KID ON THIS POSTER! IN HER DAZED STATE, SHE'S LIABLE TO THINK SHE'S REALLY ANNIE OAKLEY!
WANTED! DEAD OR ALIVE BILLY THE KID
$500 REWARD

IN HIS ROOM, ONE HOUR AFTER LEAVING LOIS UNDER TREATMENT, CLARK IS VISITED BY THE DOCTOR...
MISS LANE'S UP AND ABOUT NOW, KENT--BUT HER MEMORY'S STILL GONE! IN FACT, SHE'S CONVINCED SHE'S REALLY ANNIE OAKLEY! SOMEONE'LL HAVE TO KEEP AN EYE ON HER SO SHE DON'T START SHOOTING AND HURT SOMEONE!

BESIDES, IF SHE FINDS SHE ISN'T A DEAD SHOT, SHE MIGHT LEARN SHE'S NOT ANNIE OAKLEY--BEFORE SHE'S RECOVERED ENOUGH TO REMEMBER HER REAL IDENTITY! THAT SHOCK COULD CAUSE SERIOUS DAMAGE TO HER MIND!

HARDLY HAS THE DOCTOR LEFT CLARK TO WRESTLE WITH LOIS' PROBLEM--WHEN SUDDENLY, FROM THE WINDOW...
GREAT SCOTT! IT'S LOIS! AND HEADED FOR TROUBLE ALREADY. BUT WORSE! THOSE TWO MEN JIBING AT HER--THEY'RE HOODS FROM THE SYNDICATE! LOIS WAS JOKING BEFORE ABOUT THEIR TRACKING CLARK HERE--BUT THEY REALLY DID!
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AS THE TROUBLE MAGNIFIES...
HA-HA! SO YOU'RE ANNIE OAKLEY! WELL-- I'M DAVY CROCKETT! AND THIS IS MY PAL, DANIEL BOONE! HA-HA!
THOSE STUPID HOODS! THEY KEEP TEASING HER WITHOUT REALIZING SHE BELIEVES SHE'S ANNIE OAKLEY!
HOTEL
AS TWO SHOTS BARK FROM LOIS' GUN, SUPERMAN INTERVENES WITH INVISIBLE SUPER-SPEED...
W-WATCH OUT! SHE--SHE'S OFF HER ROCKER!
IF LOIS MISSES THOSE TWO SHE'LL KNOW SHE'S NOT ANNIE OAKLEY! BUT SINCE I CAN'T PERMIT HER TO HURT ANYONE, I'LL JUST DEFLECT HER FIRE SO IT KNOCKS OFF THEIR HATS!
BANG
BANG
THEN, AS SUPERMAN STREAKS AWAY...
W-WHAT SHOOTING! SHE'S A REGULAR ANNIE OAKLEY!
HM--I DIDN'T TRY TO KNOCK THEIR HATS OFF LIKE THAT... BUT MAYBE I DID IT BY INSTINCT... MY HEAD INJURY MAKES ME FORGETFUL, BUT IT WAS A TYPICAL ANNIE OAKLEY STUNT!
HMM... UNTIL LOIS CAN STOP THINKING SHE'S ANNIE OAKLEY, I'D BETTER LURE HER AWAY FROM TOWN AND PEOPLE AND--SAY! THIS "WANTED" POSTER GIVES ME AN IDEA--BUT I'LL NEED HELP!
WANTED!
DEAD OR ALIVE
BILLY THE KID
$500 REWARD
PRESENTLY, IN THE DOCTOR'S OFFICE AS CLARK KENT AGAIN...
NO--SHE WON'T REMEMBER YOU AS CLARK KENT, SO THIS POSTER YOU MADE SHOULD CONVINCE HER YOU'RE JESSE JAMES!
FINE, THEN YOU GET HER TO TRAIL ME--AND I'LL LURE HER FROM DUDE CITY!
WANTED!
DEAD OR ALIVE
JESSE JAMES
$500 REWARD
I'LL TACK THE POSTER UP WHERE SHE'LL BE SURE TO SEE IT-- BUT YOU TAKE CARE! I JUST HEARD SHE SHOOTS PRETTY STRAIGHT WITHOUT BEING ANNIE OAKLEY!
RIGHT! AND NOW TO LEAVE A CLEAR TRAIL SHE CAN FOLLOW!
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BUT SHORTLY AFTER THE POSTER HAS BEEN TACKED UP...

HEY, "LEFTIE"- LOOK! CLARK KENT'S PICTURE IS ON THIS JESSE JAMES POSTER! SOME JOKE! BUT OURS IS GONNA BE EVEN FUNNIER!

SHERIFF

WAIT! I GOT AN IDEA! WITH THIS POSTER UP-- WHY SHOULD **WE** HAVE TO KILL CLARK KENT FOR THE MOB?

REWARD! DEAD OR ALIVE

JESSE JAMES $500 REWARD

LISTEN--YOU KNOW WHY LOIS LANE SHOT AT US? A HEAD INJURY HAS HER REALLY BELIEVING SHE'S ANNIE OAKLEY! WHICH MEANS SHE DOESN'T REMEMBER KENT! NOW-- SUPPOSE WE GOT **HER** TO GUN THIS--THIS-- JESSE JAMES!

PSST-- HERE SHE COMES NOW!

PRESENTLY, AS LOIS IS DRAWN INTO THE HOODS' SLICK SCHEME...

--SO MA'AM, YOU'LL EXCUSE MY NOT RECOGNIZING YOU AS THE FAMOUS ANNIE OAKLEY BEFORE. BUT SINCE I'M--ER-- ACTING SHERIFF AROUND HERE, I NEED YOUR HELP TO BAG THE OUTLAW JESSE JAMES, JUST REPORTED IN THESE PARTS!

DON'T WORRY, SHERIFF! I'LL GET HIM *DEAD* OR ALIVE!

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LOIS SOON PICKS UP THE CLEARLY MARKED TRAIL CLARK HAS LEFT FOR HER AS...

I CAN'T HELP FEELING SOMETHING FAMILIAR ABOUT JESSE'S FACE. BUT--I'LL SOON CATCH UP WITH HIM, THEN I'LL SEE FOR SURE!

SOME BREAK! SHE BUMPS OFF KENT FOR US AND **WE'RE** IN THE CLEAR!

THEN, A SUDDEN MEETING, SOME MILES FROM TOWN...

WHOA, BOY! IF IT ISN'T ANNIE OAKLEY HERSELF!

JESSE JAMES! BUT WAIT-- I'M NOT SO SURE! SEEMS I KNOW YOU AS SOMEONE ELSE--SOMEONE WHO COULDN'T BE AN OUTLAW--ONLY-- I CAN'T REMEMBER!

TO LULL LOIS' SUSPICIONS CLARK OFFERS TO PROVE HE'S JESSE JAMES...

I'M JESSE JAMES, RIGHT ENOUGH! THREE SHOTS--THREE APPLES! BETTER THAN ANNIE OAKLEY CAN DO-- IN CASE YOU GOT NOTIONS OF TAKIN' ME IN!

I'LL CAPTURE YOU IF YOU'RE JESS-- BUT I'M NOT CONVINCED ENOUGH!

BANG

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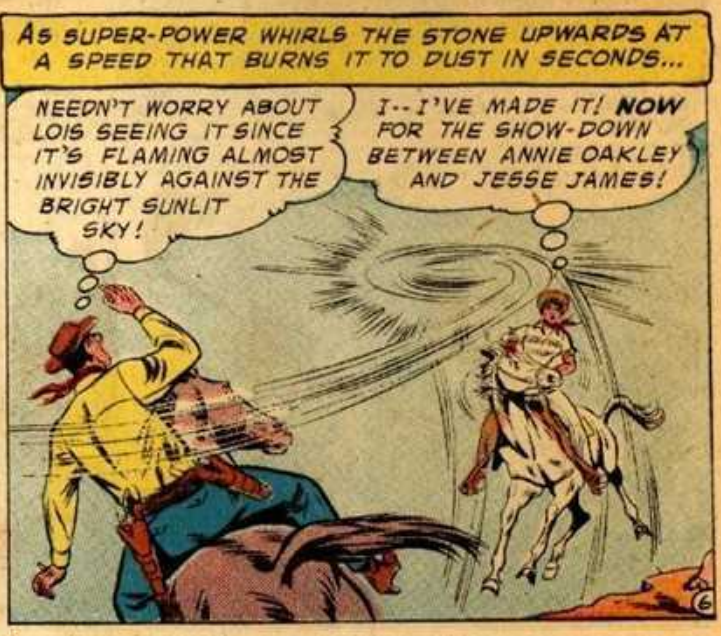
CLARK USES HIS SUPERMAN TALENTS FOR FURTHER PROOF...
MAYBE YOU'VE HEARD OF JESSE JAMES' SKILL WITH A LASSO--SO WATCH! WOULDN'T WANT NOBODY ELSE TO GET CREDIT FOR NOT BEIN' BAGGED BY ANNIE OAKLEY, OR I WOULDN'T GO TO ALL THIS TROUBLE!

MEANWHILE, WATCHING NEARBY...
HEY! HOW'D KENT GET TO BE SUCH A HOT-SHOT WITH A ROD AND A LASSO? IF I'D KNOWN THIS WHEN WE GOT HIRED I'D HAVE RAISED THE PRICE FOR RUBBIN' HIM OUT!
WHY DON'T SHE LET HIM HAVE IT? WHY'S SHE STALLIN'?

STILL VAGUELY TROUBLED BY SUSPICIONS, "ANNIE OAKLEY" INSISTS ON ONE FINAL TEST...
THEY SAY JESSE JAMES CAN BREAK A WILD HORSE FASTER THAN ANY MAN ALIVE! DO THAT, AND I'LL BE CONVINCED!
SOON'S I PICK ONE OUT TO RIDE ON!

PRESENTLY, SPRINGING BAREBACK UPON THE FURIOUS UNTAMED BEAST, CLARK'S SUPERMAN POWERS PROVE MORE THAN EQUAL TO THE TEST...
HE MUST BE JESSE JAMES! BUT I WON'T BE OUTDONE BY HIM! I'LL REPEAT THAT JUMP BEFORE TAKING HIM IN--OR MY NAME ISN'T ANNIE OAKLEY!
OH-OH! IF LOIS TRIES THAT SAME JUMP SHE'LL BE HURT!

HMM--THIS FLAT STONE! IF I SEND IT SPINNING HIGH ABOVE HER WITH ALL MY STRENGTH, IT SHOULD FORM A VERTICAL UPDRAFT STRONG ENOUGH TO DRAW UP HORSE AND RIDER SO THEY CAN COMPLETE THE JUMP!


AS SUPER-POWER WHIRLS THE STONE UPWARDS AT A SPEED THAT BURNS IT TO DUST IN SECONDS...
NEEDN'T WORRY ABOUT LOIS SEEING IT SINCE IT'S FLAMING ALMOST INVISIBLY AGAINST THE BRIGHT SUNLIT SKY!
I--I'VE MADE IT! NOW FOR THE SHOW-DOWN BETWEEN ANNIE OAKLEY AND JESSE JAMES!

I'M SATISFIED NOW YOU'RE JESSE JAMES! AND I'M TAKING YOU IN-- DEAD OR ALIVE!
IF SHE INTENDS TO SHOOT IT OUT WITH ME, I'M READY!

AT THIS DISTANCE, SHE DOESN'T NEED ANY SKILL TO HIT ME! BUT SINCE SHE HAS NO MEMORY OF SUPERMAN EITHER, MY IDENTITY WILL BE SAFE! BESIDES, SHE WON'T REMEMBER EVENTS WHICH TOOK PLACE DURING HER AMNESIA AFTER RECOVERING!

MEANWHILE, THE TWO HOODS, AFTER LOSING SIGHT OF THEIR QUARRY, HAVE CAUTIOUSLY CRAWLED WITHIN VIEW AGAIN...
I KNEW THEY COULDN'T HAVE GOT FAR WHEN THEY GALLOPED OFF BEFORE! LOOKS LIKE THE SHOW-DOWN AT LAST!
YEAH-- BUT IN CASE "CRAZY ANNIE" MISSES, I'M GONNA MAKE SURE SHE DON'T LOSE!

FORGET I'M A WOMAN! I'LL GIVE YOU THREE SECONDS TO DRAW! EITHER THAT OR-- GIVE UP!
GREAT SCOTT! I--I CAN'T LET HER HIT ME NOW!

A GLINT OF REFLECTED LIGHT FROM LOIS' GUN-BUTT, ENLARGED BY TELESCOPIC VISION, EXPLAINS CLARK'S PROBLEM...
IT'S THOSE HOODS! THEY'RE RIGHT BEHIND ME! IF THEY SEE LOIS' BULLETS HIT ME, THEY'LL CERTAINLY SUSPECT MY IDENTITY WHEN I TURN UP LATER, STILL ALIVE! BUT I CAN'T MAKE LOIS MISS, EITHER! OR SHE'LL REALIZE SHE'S NOT ANNIE OAKLEY!

SUPERMAN'S GREAT DILEMMA IS SUDDENLY CLIMAXED BY A QUICK DRAW AND TWO WELL-AIMED SHOTS!
THERE'S NO OTHER SOLUTION! INSTEAD OF LETTING HER BEAT ME TO THE DRAW-- I'LL HAVE TO AIM STRAIGHT AND SHOOT IT OUT WITH HER!
BANG
BANG

MEANWHILE, WATCHING THE RESULTS OF THE DEADLY GUNFIRE...
WE'VE BEEN TRICKED! LOOK! THEY BOTH FIRED--AND NEITHER ONE COULD HAVE MISSED--YET NOTHING HAPPENED. THEY MUST HAVE BEEN USING BLANKS! WHY? TO LURE US HERE AND TRAP US!
QUICK! DON'T GIVE 'EM TIME TO REACH FOR ANOTHER GUN!
BUT SUDDENLY...
CLARK--WATCH OUT!!
NOW TO TAKE CARE OF THOSE HOODS AND--HUH? LOIS CALLED MY NAME! AND--AND SHE'S FIRING AT THEM, TOO! HER MEMORY--IT MUST HAVE RETURNED!
AS THE DISARMED AND SURPRISED HOODS SURRENDER...
CLARK KENT! THIS TIME I'VE GOT YOU! I KNOW I DIDN'T MISS WHEN I FIRED AT YOU BEFORE! SO YOU MUST BE SUPERMAN!
YOU SEE, MY MEMORY RETURNED JUST AS I WAS PULLING THE TRIGGER! ONLY--IT WAS TOO LATE TO KEEP FROM SHOOTING AT YOU!
WAIT! I KNOW KENT COULDN'T HAVE MISSED YOU EITHER! HOW COME YOU WEREN'T HIT! EXPLAIN THAT!
WHY--WHY--I NEVER THOUGHT OF THAT! WHY--CLARK--YOU--YOU ACTUALLY SHOT AT ME! HOW COULD YOU?
JUST SELF-DEFENSE! ER--BUT I ONLY AIMED AT YOUR GUN! BUT--LOOK! HERE'S WHAT REALLY HAPPENED!
WHY--OUR SHOTS COLLIDED IN MID-AIR! A FREAK COINCIDENCE! THAT'S WHY NEITHER OF US WERE HIT! AND I THOUGHT YOU WERE SUPERMAN!
LOIS WILL NEVER KNOW IT WAS SUPERMAN'S SUPER-AIM WHICH CAUSED THAT "COINCIDENCE"!
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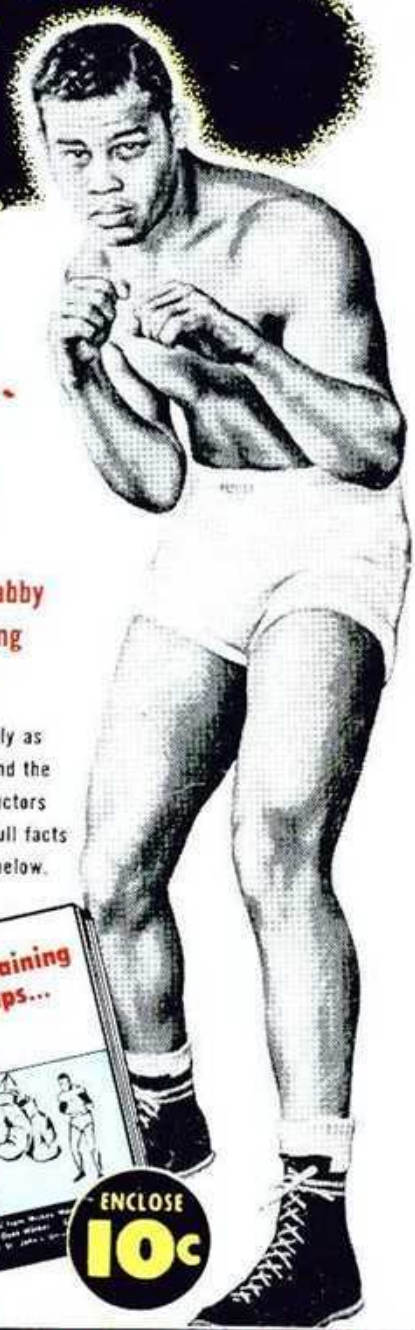

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